

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

OCTOBER 6, 2016 - 7:30 P.M.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of annual notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, and Star Ledger, and posted at Borough Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG and a MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, SERVING HOME AND ABROAD.

ROLL CALL:

Joren [] Black [] Nehls [] Gibbs [] Mobus [] Sopko []

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Watchung Public Library – Summer Reading Awards

PROCLAMATIONS

Breast Cancer Awareness Month – October

Domestic Violence Awareness Month - October

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works / Buildings and Grounds
4. Public Affairs:
 - Open Space
 - Environmental
 - Recreation
 - Historical
 - Board of Health
5. Fire
6. Laws/Ordinances

REPORTS - OTHER:

7. Engineer
8. Police Chief
9. Fire Department
10. Rescue Squad
11. Emergency Management
12. Attorney
13. Clerk
14. Administrator

During the conduct of the meeting, unless a Public Hearing is held or the Regular Order of Business is waived, the audience does not participate. A Public Portion is held prior to action taken on Agenda items for agenda item discussion only, and another Public Portion is held at the end of the meeting for general discussion. Individuals commenting from the audience will be limited to three minutes per person, and will not be permitted to speak again until everyone has had an opportunity to speak. If a group is represented by an attorney, the attorney will be given five minutes to make the presentation for the group.

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PUBLIC PORTION / AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Public Hearing on Ordinance OR:16/11 entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A SIDEWALK EASEMENT FOR A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 2401, LOTS 3.01 AND 3.02 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 210 MOUNTAIN BOULEVARD”**

R1:10/06/16 Introduction of OR:16/11 – Accepting a Sidewalk Easement / 210 Mountain Boulevard

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NEW BUSINESS

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CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action.

Approval of the following Council minutes:
September 15, 2016, Regular and Executive Sessions

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Police Activity Report – August, 2016
Finance Department Revenue Report – July, August, 2016
Wildlife Management Advisory Committee Annual Report – September 14, 2016
Building Department Report – September, 2016

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #33 - Borough of Peapack & Gladstone, Borough of Bernardsville 9/19/16 Resolution in support of H.R.814, known as the “Thin Blue Line Act” c: M & C, TEA
- #34 - PSE&G 9/26/16 Notice of Petition and Public Hearing for Approval of Gas Base Rate Adjustment c: M & C, TEA, Post

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CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS: The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

- R2:10/06/16 Purchases Over \$2,000. – Communications Specialists (PD- Batteries)
Norris Sales Co. (PD – Light Tower)
L-3 Communications (PD –Vehicle Cameras)
Stalker Radar (PD – Radar System)
KPI Tactical (PD – Vests, Body Armor)
Maser Consulting (A&F – 2 Grant Applications)
Office Business Systems (PD- Comp. Equip & Contract)
- R3: Authorize Renewal Agreement – Morris County Cooperative (MCCPC)
- R4: Adoption of Revised Personnel Policy
- R5: Authorize Submission of NJ DOT TAP (Transportation Alternative Program) Grant
- R6: Authorize Submission of FEMA AFG (Assistance to Firefighters) Grant

- R7: Authorize Return of Incorrect Fee Collected / Tree Bank – 53 Anderson Road
18 Forest Drive
- R8: Authorize Return of Escrow – As listed on Resolution
- R9: Authorize Insertion of Special Item of Revenue (Chapt. 159) / 2016 Budget –
State of NJ Recycling Tonnage Grant
- R10: Appointment to Planning Board / Alternate # 2 – Christopher D’Annunzio
- R11: Authorize Revocable License Agreement – 18 Forest Drive
- R12: Authorize Clerk to Issue Raffle License – Watchung Educational Foundation

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NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Items listed below will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to Committee for further review and discussion.

Introduction of Ordinance OR:16/12 entitled "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING OR:15/13, AND ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER X, TITLED 'ANIMAL CONTROL', ARTICLE I, TITLED 'DOGS', TO ADD A NEW SECTION 10-19, TITLED 'TETHERING OF DOGS', OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG " Public Hearing to be held on October 20, 2016.

R13:10/06/16 Introduction of OR:16/12 – Revision to Code – Tethering of Dogs

Introduction of Ordinance OR:16/13 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XVI, TITLED 'PUBLIC PROPERTY AND RECREATION AREAS', OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION G TO SECTION 16-1.15, TITLED 'RECREATIONAL USE PROHIBITIONS AND LIMITATIONS' TO ALLOW FISHING AT BEST LAKE AND REQUIRING THAT THE FISH BE RETURNED TO BEST LAKE UNHARMED" Public Hearing to be held on October 20, 2016.

R14: Introduction of OR:16/13 – Revision of Code – Implement Catch and Release Regulation at Best Lake

R15: Waive Chapter 2-25.10 of Borough Code – Gray’s Florist

2016 Best Practices Inventory / Discussion

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

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R16: Executive Session - Litigation – In the Matter of the Borough of Watchung for a Judgment of Compliance of its Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, Docket No. SOM-L-902-15

The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in executive session upon completion of the executive session.

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ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled Council meeting is to be held on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.